

House Resolution 2029

By: Representative Hatfield of the 177th

A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring the life and memory of John R. Harrison, outstanding Georgia citizen, and
2 expressing regret at his passing; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, on April 23, 2007, Georgia lost one of its most distinguished citizens with the
4 passing of John R. Harrison; and

5 WHEREAS, born January 8, 1922, Mr. Harrison was the well-known operator and president
6 of the Waycross Cable Company, which he founded in May, 1964; and

7 WHEREAS, he was strongly committed to giving back to his community as demonstrated
8 by his extensive public service career, which included serving for two terms as mayor of the
9 City of Waycross while serving as a Waycross city commissioner, serving two consecutive
10 terms as president of the Waycross-Ware County Chamber of Commerce, and acting as
11 chairman of the Industrial Authority; and

12 WHEREAS, his commitment to his fellow citizens was also demonstrated by his active
13 service in many civic organizations, including his service as president of the Waycross
14 Kiwanis Club, of which he was a member for 47 years; and

15 WHEREAS, he was loved and respected by his many colleagues and peers as evidenced by
16 his receipt of the Quigley Award for outstanding showman of the year from the National
17 Theatre Association of Motion Pictures of America and his receipt of the Miller Medal for
18 outstanding community service; and

19 WHEREAS, he was a faithful member of the First United Methodist Church for 57 years
20 where he served on the Administrative Board as trustee and in numerous other church
21 committees and positions; and

1 WHEREAS, he was a loving husband to his late wife, Eleanor Sanders Harrison, a loving
2 father to their son, Ronald Edmond Harrison, and a proud grandfather to his grandson,
3 Jonathan Caleb Harrison; and

4 WHEREAS, he was a remarkable man filled with much strength of character and compassion
5 for those in need, and he will always be remembered in the hearts of those who knew him
6 and loved him dearly; and

7 WHEREAS, John R. Harrison was a tireless, dedicated civil servant who truly gave his all,
8 unconditionally, to the development and growth of the City of Waycross, and his
9 contributions to the community as a civic leader forged a legacy that will never be forgotten.

10 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
11 the members of this body remember John R. Harrison for his many contributions to the State
12 of Georgia and express their sympathy to his friends and family for their tremendous loss.

13 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
14 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the son of John R. Harrison.